From: Woo, Nancy
To: Albright, David

Subject: RE: agenda items for DOH/EPA call

Date: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 4:01:16 PM

# Court gave the settlement negotiations until the end of December. I don't know how long plan a or b would take to implement.

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From: Albright, David

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 29, 2013 3:45 PM

To: Woo, Nancy

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Thanks Nancy. Plan A looks great if it actually comes to pass. Plan B is much less clear to me, but obviously their energy is on making Plan A work – fine. You appropriately asked Stuart for timeframes as well and I did not see any reference to timing for either Plan A or Plan B. Also, there was no reference to Earthjustice below. I presume they would be supportive of Plan A, but are they now on the sideline like us waiting for this to fall into place (or fall apart)? Just some questions that come to mind while reading this interesting message.

From: Woo, Nancy

Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 12:25 PM

To: Yin, Christina; Slay, Hudson; Albright, David; Smith, DavidW

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# Interesting and good that Stuart finally found this email and resent.

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From: Yamada, Stuart H [mailto:stuart.yamada@doh.hawaii.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 29, 2013 10:55 AM

**To:** Woo, Nancy **Cc:** Gill, Gary L.

Subject: RE: agenda items for DOH/EPA call

Hi Nancy,

Thanks for the reminder. So much has happened since our last conference call in August.

1) Lahaina WWTP.

08/30/13 conference call with Pat Wong, Jen Awana, and Rochelle, Department of the Corporation Counsel, County of Maui, Gary Gill, DDEH, Ted Bohlen, Deputy Attorney General, and SY

#### Plan A

Anaergia Services needs 1,400 acres of sorghum for their bio-digester to produce enough methane gas to generate 4.5 to 5 MW.

The County of Maui needs to

- Reach agreement with Department of Hawaiian Homeland to utilize 600 700 acres of their land above the WWTP to raise sorghum;
- Obtain additional land from the Kapalua Land Company
- Obtain the Public Utilities Commission(PUC) approval for a Power Purchase Agreement waiver;
- Convince MECO to agree to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement

This approach will use 100% of the WWTP effluent except during inclement weather.

In April 2013, the County of Maui has issued a Notice of Intent to award Anaergia Services of Carlsbad, CA the contract to implement an Integrated Waste Conversion and Energy Project. As Anaergia Services will already be making a substantial investment with this project, creating refuse derived fuel and liquefied natural gas, they are very serious about the Lahaina WWTP plan. Pat Wong, Corporation Counsel, feels that this is a very high viability project, and is personally involved, actively working with the Department of Hawaiian Homelands, PUC, and MECO to make it happen.

### Plan B

Reuse R-1 effluent on the Department of Hawaiian Homeland's 780 acres above the WWTP. County would need to rehabilitate the soil with 100 acres utilized for subsistence living (people reside in nearby Lealii subdivision).

2) CWB General Permit rules

Chapter 11-55 final rule package is making its way up to the Governor for final approval (passed thru EMD on Monday, October 21).

Last time it took approximately two or more months to get the Governor's approval mostly because some groups approached the Governor's office seeking changes. Hopefully, the General Contractors Association, which has concerns with the proposed rules, will not attempt to do the same.

3) Ground Water monitoring QAPP delayed to incorporate comments by QA Manager

Monday (10/21/13) conference call with Kate Rao, Joanna Seto, Dan Chang and Myron

Honda to clarify the EPA comments on the QAPP. Dan to work on the QAPP next week.

4) EPA concerns on the soliciting of a contractor to help with PRC State Management Program Plan RFQ too vague on what contractor would do.

Follow-up discussion with Mike Burke and Greg Takeshima, PRC - They purposely tried to avoid being overly specific to allow the contractor to have a fresh perspective from which to generate a plan that will help the PRC program move in the right direction – acknowledged that it was a fine balancing act

Potential lack of bids.

Mike and Greg were in contact with a number of qualified and interested vendors and ended up receiving six (6) bids.

Spending too much for a plan.

Mike and Greg selected Oceanit whose bid (approximately \$60,000) clearly showed that they understood the need to maximize the amount of funds to be spent on implementation rather than the plan. They are currently working on the contract. Note: Had the bids been too high (> \$100,000) or deemed to be inadequate, they would have simply gone back with an RFP.

5) Waiting for Joanna on next e-vite call.

DOH-EPA ULO conference call #6 occurred on September 16, 2013 (during the Honolulu Harbor Molasses Release Incident Response). The next conference call is set for November 12, 2013.

EPA concern with Hawaii processes not required by the Federal SRF program.

Discussed with Kevin Yoshioka, WRFS, who provided the following summary of our repayment process:

Six to eight weeks prior to the repayment due date a repayment billing is sent to the County.

- If new disbursements occurred since the last repayment billing, the amortization schedule is recalculated. The amortization schedule is recalculated only once prior to the repayment billing and not after each disbursement.
- A letter requesting payment and a Bill for Collection is prepared.
- Documents are routed to the appropriate people and sent out by clerical.

Sorry, but it took me a while to locate my notes. Looking forward to your call tomorrow at 8:00 a.m. (HST).

From: Woo, Nancy [mailto:Woo.Nancy@epa.gov]
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## Aloha Gary and Stuart,

Below is the draft agenda for our call tomorrow at 8:00 am Hawaii time. Please feel free to add topics.

Thanks, nw

PS Stuart - a gentle reminder that you "volunteered" to lay out a list of actions/discussions between EPA and HDOH and others with a proposed schedule for Lahaina if the negotiations fall thru.

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From: Yin, Christina

Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2013 5:30 PM

**To:** Woo, Nancy **Cc:** Slay, Hudson

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Nancy – here are my notes from today's mtg – please add/ edit as you wish and forward to Stu and Gary. Tina

EPA Agenda Topics for DOH/EPA monthly call 10/24/13 8 am HST/ 11 am PDT

Groundwater QA Plan

Lahaina – Plan B if negotiations fall through

Status of General Permit – update from DOH on schedule, expected Gov. signature timeframe Scheduling of End of year progress and performance meetings – Dec/ Jan (video/ teleconference)

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